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MEMORANDUM

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RE: EPA response to ODEQ February 20, 2015 Letter

Wilcox Oil Company Superfund Site, Bristow, Oklahoma, OK0001010917

On February 20, 2015, ODEQ sent a letter requesting fencing around an area of concern where elevated lead was detected. As requested, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) began planning activities for the installation of a fence around the area of concern. In addition to fencing the specified area of concern, EPA began coordinating with residents to conduct additional residential sampling and property fencing. The removal program completed the fencing and residential sampling in May and June 2015.

The EPA worked closely with Todd Downham to coordinate the sampling and fencing effort with the property owners. The EPA and Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) conducted two site visits (March and April 2015) that included in person discussions with residents that live on or near the property. The purpose of these visits was to discuss the option and interest for having their yards sampled. As a result, 10 properties were identified for sampling, access was obtained for 9, and 9 yards were sampled. The home owner for the 10th home was located; however, coordinating for access was difficult.

During the site visits, the EPA and ODEQ identified areas of the site that are currently fenced and those areas of concern that should be fenced due to potential exposures to site contamination. As a result, a portion of the former process area located on the far western portion of the site will be fenced.